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# MICRO-INDUSTRIAL GUIDELINES FOR NORTHGATE

The Planner on Call system helps over 1,800 people a year that call, email, or come into the P&DS office with questions related to planning and development. This section highlights some of the more common questions. If you have questions for the Planner on Call, please contact us at 979-764-3858 or POC@cstx.gov.

- Q: I currently brew beer as a hobby, but I was thinking about commercializing. It would not be very large; more of a micro-brewery style. Does the city allow this type of business and where?
- A: Small-scale industrial businesses, such as micro-breweries and microwineries, are becoming a popular trend. These are uses that are limited in scale and basic function is to manufacture a product that is predominantly extracted from raw material and is contained within a building. In response to the changing market City Council approved an ordinance in January 2011 that allowed Micro-Industrial uses in GC General Commercial, CI Commercial-Industrial and BPI Business Park Industrial zoning districts. Recently, an amendment was adopted that also allows Micro-Industrial uses in NG-1 Core Northgate and NG-2 Transitional Northgate.

Specific use standards do apply to Micro-Industrial uses, which require that all production activity be conducted within an enclosed building, the prohibition of outside storage, and limited to no more than 5,000 gross square feet. In addition, accessory restaurants, nightclubs or taverns are only permitted with a Micro-Industrial use in GC General Commercial, NG-1 Core Northgate and NG-2 Transitional Northgate.

For more information on Micro-Industrial Uses, please contact the Planner-On-Call.



# BUILDING PERMIT TOTALS:

| Month of July 2013                  | Mon    | Month of Julu 2012 |               |              |              |        |      |             |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------|------|-------------|
| Type of Permit                      | Permit | Unit               | Total Sq. Ft. | Heat Sq. Ft. | Amount       | Permit | Unit | Amount      |
| Single Family Home                  | 24     | 24                 | 75,614        | 55,630       | \$4,346,595  | 42     | 42   | \$6,122,118 |
| Duplex                              | 0      | 0                  | 0             | 0            | \$0          | 0      | 0    | \$(         |
| Tri-plex/Four-plex                  | 0      | 0                  | 0             | 0            | \$0          | 0      | 0    | \$          |
| Apartment                           | 1      | 33                 | 29,225        | 26,364       | \$2,805,000  | 1      | 209  | \$25,371,65 |
| Residential Addition                | 6      | N/A                | 679           | 1,204        | \$138,900    | 7      | N/A  | \$297,95    |
| Residential Remodel                 | 10     | N/A                | 3,550         | 3,200        | \$372,750    | 12     | N/A  | \$121,50    |
| Residential Garage/Carport Addition | 2      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$60,470     | 1      | N/A  | \$3,16      |
| Residential Demolition              | 2      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$4,500      | 1      | N/A  | \$          |
| Residential Slab Only-SF            | 0      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 1      | N/A  | \$2,000,00  |
| Residential Slab Only-DPLX          | 0      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Residential Slab Only-3&4           | 0      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Residential Slab Only-Apt.          | 0      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Hotel / Motel / Inn                 | 0      | N/A                | 0             | 0            | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| New Commercial                      | 6      | N/A                | 21,445        | 21,445       | \$8,212,724  | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Commercial Remodel                  | 7      | N/A                | 7,100         | 3,000        | \$1,146,000  | 11     | N/A  | \$921,00    |
| Commercial Addition/Retaining Wall  | 1      | N/A                | 0             | 0            | \$135,000    | 1      | N/A  | \$15,00     |
| Commercial Demolition               | 1      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 3      | N/A  | \$189,66    |
| Commercial Slab Only                | 0      | N/A                | 0             | 0            | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Swimming Pool                       | 7      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$180,600    | 8      | N/A  | \$294,00    |
| Sign                                | 11     | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 15     | N/A  | \$          |
| Moving & Location                   | 0      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$0          | 0      | N/A  | \$          |
| Storage / Accessory                 | 2      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$34,500     | 16     | N/A  | \$145,00    |
| Roofing                             | 4      | N/A                | N/A           | N/A          | \$37,683     | 13     | N/A  | \$87,79     |
| TOTALS                              | 84     | 57                 | 137,613       | 110,843      | \$17,474,722 | 132    | 251  | \$35,568,84 |

| January 1, 2013 - July 31, 2013     |        |      |               |                 |               | Januar | y 1, 2012 - Ju | uly 31, 2012  |
|-------------------------------------|--------|------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|--------|----------------|---------------|
| Type of Permit                      | Permit | Unit | Total Sq. Ft. | Heat Sq.<br>Ft. | Amount        | Permit | Unit           | Amount        |
| Single Family Home                  | 364    | 364  | 929,139       | 723,563         | \$57,258,699  | 427    | 427            | \$57,340,885  |
| Duplex                              | 5      | 10   | 19,651        | 17,671          | \$1,077,777   | 46     | 92             | \$7,973,951   |
| Tri-plex/Four-plex                  | 0      | 0    | 0             | 0               | \$0           | 1      | 3              | \$285,000     |
| Apartment                           | 8      | 390  | 297,714       | 222,509         | \$38,576,966  | 6      | 238            | \$27,421,650  |
| Residential Addition                | 24     | N/A  | 10,581        | 5,651           | \$1,073,467   | 34     | N/A            | \$1,331,975   |
| Residential Remodel                 | 68     | N/A  | 12,631        | 12,358          | \$1,048,337   | 73     | N/A            | \$1,778,100   |
| Residential Garage/Carport Addition | 9      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$177,260     | 9      | N/A            | \$76,461      |
| Residential Demolition              | 40     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$98,900      | 27     | N/A            | \$1,054,700   |
| Residential Slab Only-SF            | 3      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$59,500      | 88     | N/A            | \$2,636,378   |
| Residential Slab Only-DPLX          | 0      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$0           | 37     | N/A            | \$667,783     |
| Residential Slab Only-3&4           | 1      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$40,000      | 0      | N/A            | \$0           |
| Residential Slab Only-Apt.          | 0      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$0           | 4      | N/A            | \$733,350     |
| Hotel / Motel / Inn                 | 2      | N/A  | 35,435        | 34,510          | \$8,100,000   | 0      | N/A            | \$0           |
| New Commercial                      | 34     | N/A  | 480,779       | 59,022          | \$32,682,712  | 30     | N/A            | \$39,667,320  |
| Commercial Remodel                  | 60     | N/A  | 142,649       | 137,743         | \$10,611,187  | 46     | N/A            | \$13,540,153  |
| Commercial Addition/Retaining Wall  | 2      | N/A  | 4,000         | 4,000           | \$700,000     | 10     | N/A            | \$143,759     |
| Commercial Demolition               | 12     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$890,097     | 12     | N/A            | \$771,860     |
| Commercial Slab Only                | 5      | N/A  | 0             | 0               | \$2,732,513   | 0      | N/A            | \$0           |
| Swimming Pool                       | 29     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$1,216,090   | 36     | N/A            | \$1,521,249   |
| Sign                                | 73     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$0           | 76     | N/A            | NA            |
| Moving & Location                   | 0      | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$0           | 0      | N/A            | \$0           |
| Storage / Accessory                 | 13     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$91,569      | 33     | N/A            | \$603,061     |
| Roofing                             | 94     | N/A  | N/A           | N/A             | \$777,043     | 153    | N/A            | \$1,333,768   |
| TOTALS                              | 846    | 764  | 1,932,579     | 1,217,027       | \$157,212,117 | 1148   | 760            | \$158,881,403 |

## **BUILDING INSPECTIONS:**

| MONTH    | BUILDING | PLUMBING | ELECTRIC | MECHANICAL | LAWN | SIGN | POOL | TOTAL |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------|------|------|-------|
| JANUARY  | 350      | 251      | 167      | 123        | 14   | 11   | 4    | 920   |
| FEBRUARY | 338      | 256      | 204      | 154        | 2    | 8    | 5    | 967   |
| MARCH    | 389      | 329      | 164      | 138        | 10   | 7    | 10   | 1047  |
| APRIL    | 588      | 354      | 287      | 282        | 19   | 11   | 10   | 1551  |
| MAY      | 561      | 313      | 242      | 238        | 27   | 14   | 6    | 1401  |
| JUNE     | 420      | 335      | 219      | 237        | 6    | 12   | 7    | 1236  |
| JULY     | 495      | 368      | 287      | 282        | 6    | 6    | 13   | 1457  |
| TOTAL    | 3141     | 2206     | 1570     | 1454       | 84   | 69   | 55   | 8579  |

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES SUMMARY:**

| MONTH    | HEALTH &<br>SANITATION | PROPERTY<br>MAINTENANCE | PUBLIC<br>NUISANCE | FIRE<br>PROTECTION | TRAFFIC<br>CODE | SANITATION | UDO/<br>ZONING | RENTAL<br>REGISTRATION | TOTAL |
|----------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|------------------------|-------|
| JANUARY  | 19                     | 3                       | 3                  | -                  | 10              | 287        | 19             | 88                     | 429   |
| FEBRUARY | 222                    | 11                      | 4                  | 8                  | 16              | 224        | 24             | 52                     | 561   |
| MARCH    | 63                     | 58                      | 6                  | 0                  | 1 <i>7</i>      | 227        | 16             | 66                     | 453   |
| APRIL    | 17                     | 240                     | 5                  | 17                 | 7               | 247        | 26             | 109                    | 668   |
| MAY      | 20                     | 98                      | 2                  | 14                 | 6               | 125        | 26             | 121                    | 412   |
| JUNE     | 27                     | 337                     | 5                  | 14                 | 9               | 214        | 27             | 191                    | 824   |
| JULY     | 17                     | 31                      | 9                  | 0                  | 9               | 174        | 18             | 184                    | 442   |
| TOTAL    | 385                    | 778                     | 34                 | 53                 | 74              | 1498       | 156            | 811                    | 3789  |

## **REZONING SCOOP:**

| PROJECT NO | PROJECT NAME                      | LOCATION               | ACRES        | REQUEST           | P&Z DATE  | STATUS   | COUNCIL DATE | STATUS |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|--------------|--------|
| 13-900077  | Barron Crossing & Bridgewood Sub. | 2985 Barron Cut-Off Rd | <i>75</i> .1 | R-1&A-O to<br>PDD | 18-Jul-13 | Approved | 8-Aug-13     |        |
| 13-900122  | The Barracks II                   | 3100 Haupt Road        | 59.9         | Rez               | 1-Aug-13  | Approved | 8-Aug-13     |        |

# POPULATION: THE JULY POPULATION ESTIMATE IS 99,093

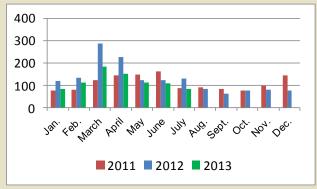
PERMITS BY TYPE YEAR TO DATE

| Type of Permit     | Permit | Unit | Amount       |
|--------------------|--------|------|--------------|
| Single-Family Home | 364    | 364  | \$57,258,699 |
| Duplex             | 5      | 10   | \$1,077,777  |
| Tri-Plex/Four-plex | 0      | 0    | \$0          |
| Apartment          | 8      | 357  | \$38,576,966 |
| New Commercial     | 34     | N/A  | \$32,682,712 |
| Commercial Remodel | 60     | N/A  | \$10,611,187 |

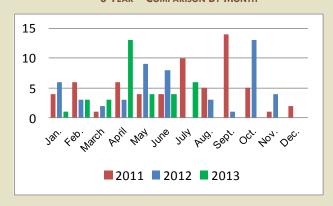
NEW SINGLE FAMILY PERMITS
3 YEAR—COMPARISON BY MONTH

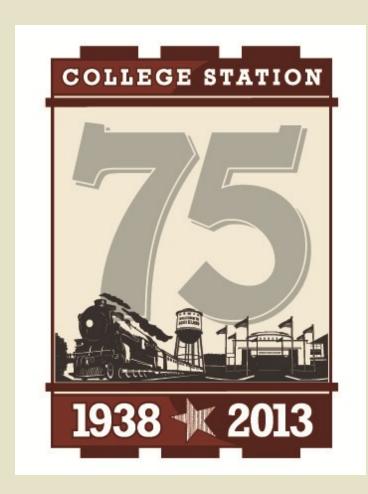


TOTAL PERMITS
3 YEAR—COMPARISON BY MONTH



NEW COMMERCIAL PERMITS
3 YEAR—COMPARISON BY MONTH





# TRACKING THE NUMBERS

## **New Single-Family Homes:**

Year-to-date, single-family home permits decreased in quantity when compared to last year at this time, July 2012, and increased when compared with two years ago, July 2011.

#### **New Commercial:**

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\text{YTD} - 1 \text{ yr} & \text{YTD} - 2 \text{ yr} \\
& & & & & & & & \\
10 \% & & & & & & & \\
6\% & & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$

Year-to-date, new commercial permits experienced an increase in quantity when compared to last year at this time, July 2012, and decreased when compared with two years ago, July 2011.

### **Total Permits:**

Year-to-date, total permits experienced an decrease in quantity when compared to last year at this time, July 2012, and experienced an increase when compared with two years ago, July 2011.